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HELP,
SEMI-PRIVATE
EYE JONES!
RUNAWAY
COASTER!

YIKES!

THIS IS
GONNA BE
A QUICK
LUNCH!



READ! JUGHEAD JONES
SEMI-PRIVATE EYE
IN A TAN & SANDY
SNOOZE!

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J. JONES, SEMI-PRIVATE EYE A **TAN** AND **SANDY SNOOZE**

THEY TELL ME THE RIVERDALE AMUSEMENT PIER WAS BUILT BACK IN THE "GOOD OL' DAYS". BACK WHEN MOVIES WERE A QUARTER AND GAS WAS 15 CENTS A GALLON.

IT DIDN'T SOUND ALL THAT GREAT TO ME ...UNTIL THEY MENTIONED BURGERS WERE 5 CENTS, WITH EVERYTHING! GOOD OL' DAYS?

IT MUST HAVE BEEN MAGICAL.

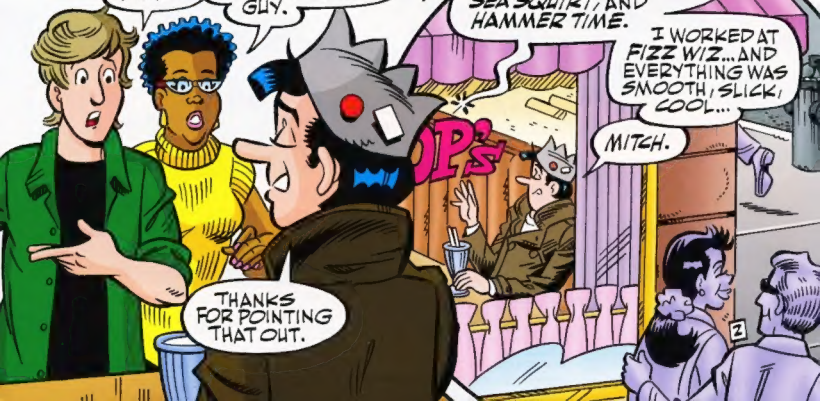
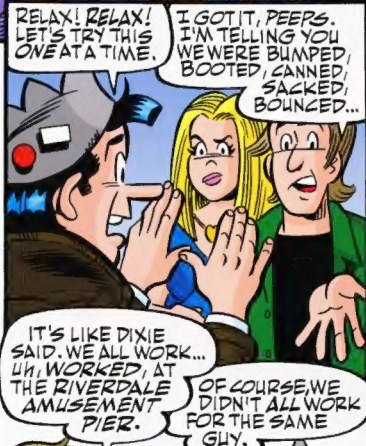
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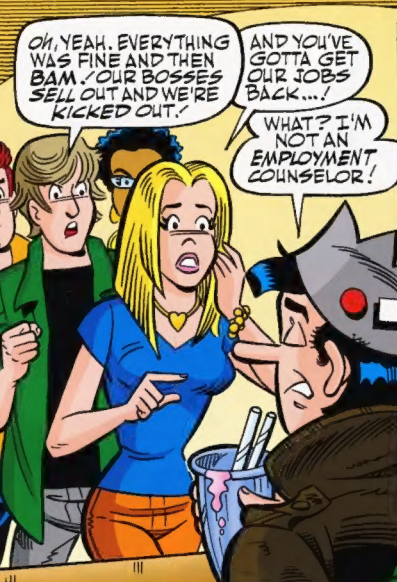
BUT I BET GETTING DUMPED IN THE OCEAN IN YOUR CIVVIES WASN'T ANY MORE FUN BACK THEN...

...THAN IT IS NOW.

BUT HERE I AM... TRYING TO DRINK THE OCEAN, AND ASKING MYSELF THE MUSICAL QUESTION...

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OH, YEAH. EVERYTHING WAS FINE AND THEN BAM. OUR BOSSES SELL OUT AND WE'RE KICKED OUT.

AND YOU'VE GOTTA GET OUR JOBS BACK...!

WHAT? I'M NOT AN EMPLOYMENT COUNSELOR!



WE WERE FIRED FOR NO GOOD REASON!

WELL, YOU WERE ALWAYS LATE...

GOOFING OFF...

SAMPLING SODAS...

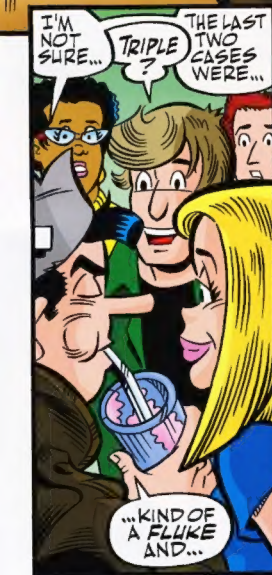
GIRL WATCHING...

HOLD IT!

LOOK, JUST FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON!

I DON'T KNOW...

WE'LL DOUBLE YOUR FEE!



I'M NOT SURE...

TRIPLE?

THE LAST TWO CASES WERE...

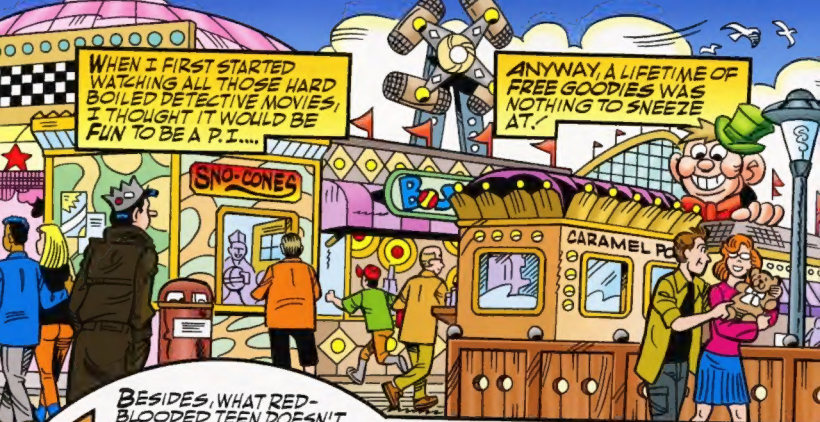
YOU'LL GET FREE FOOD AND DRINK FROM US--

FOREVER!

BEFORE YOU FILL ME UP... YOU'D BETTER FILL ME IN!

...KIND OF A FLUKE AND...





WHEN I FIRST STARTED WATCHING ALL THOSE HARD BOILED DETECTIVE MOVIES, I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE FUN TO BE A P.I....

ANYWAY, A LIFETIME OF FREE GOODIES WAS NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT.

BESIDES, WHAT RED-BLOODED TEEN DOESN'T LIKE AMUSEMENT PARKS?

HEY, THERE, MS. CARAMELO!

SWEET AS EVER, JUGGIE DARLING! I'LL HAVE A FRESH BAG OF POPCORN FOR YOU IN A JIFF!

MUCHAS GRACIAS, AMIGA MIA!

WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE? THE ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT FEST ISN'T FOR ANOTHER TWO WEEKS!



A LITTLE SCOOPIN' AND SNOOPIN'!

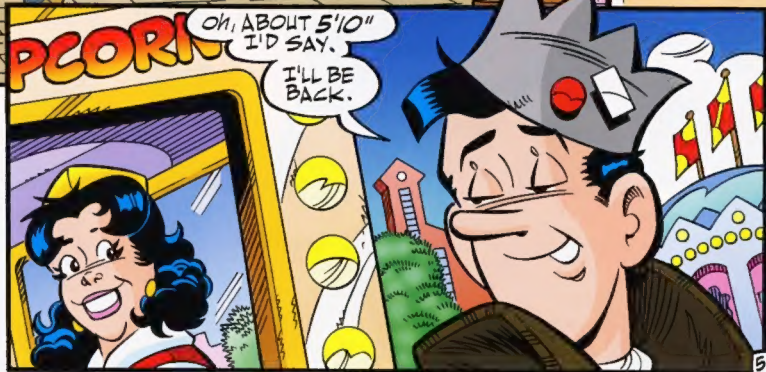
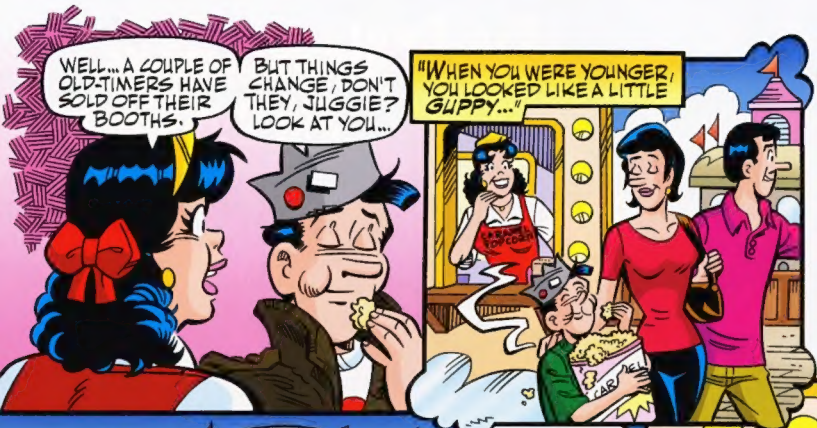
WORD ON THE STREET... UH, BOARDWALK, IS THAT TEEN WORKERS ARE DROPPING LIKE FLIES.

ACTUALLY, THE FLIES ARE DOING BETTER.

I NOTICED SOME OF THE YOUNG ONES WEREN'T AROUND ANYMORE!

ANYTHING WEIRD GOING ON?





BACK WHEN I WAS A KID, ALL THOSE GOODIES LOOKED LIKE A KING'S TREASURE.

NOW, SOME OF THEM LOOK SO CHEAP THAT EVEN IF YOU WIN, YOU LOSE.

THIS USED TO BE WANDA'S WEENIE WAGON, WITH THE GREATEST HOT DOGS.

ARCHIE AND ME USED TO COME HERE A LOT.

WE'D PLAY GAMES AND EAT. RIDE THE RIDES AND EAT...

SEA SQUIRT

...SWIM IN THE WATER AND EAT. NATURALLY, THE EATING WAS MY FAVORITE PART...

SEA SQUIRT

MERLE LENNER HAD RUN THIS PLACE FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. LIKE CARAMELO AND A COUPLE OF OTHERS, HE WAS A FRIEND...

EVEN THOUGH I COULDN'T GET A FREEBIE FROM HIM, HE WAS REALLY GENEROUS WITH THE REFILLS!

66 FANTASTIG FLAVO

JUGHEAD JONES!
GREAT TO SEE
YOU!

FIZZ
WIZ
STILL
BUSTED

HEY
THERE,
MR.
LENNER.

ALL THE FOUNTAINS ARE
DOWN? I REALLY WANTED
ONE OF YOUR CHOCOLATE
MELON LEMON-LIME
SODA BLASTS.

'FRAID SO JUG!
SYSTEM'S BEEN
DOWN FOR OVER
A WEEK.

GEE, CAN'T
MITCH FIX
IT?

NO, UM... MITCH QUIT!
HAD BETTER FISH TO
FRY, I GUESS.

OH?

MITCH'S WIZARDRY WITH
GADGETS RIVALED DILTON'S...

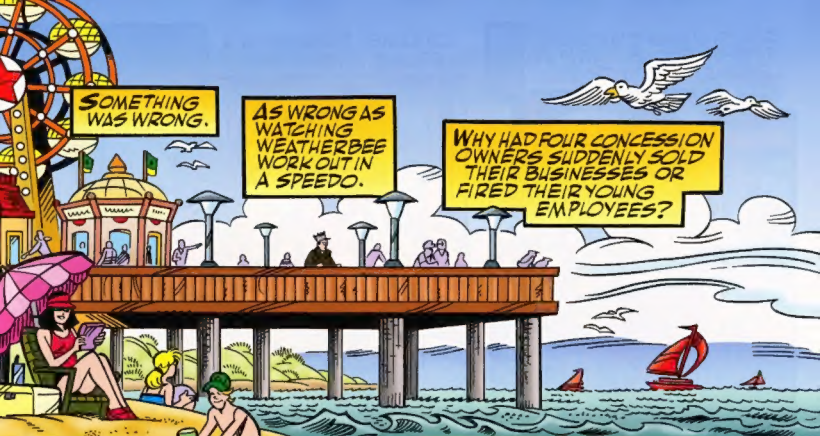
WHEN DID
THAT
HAPPEN?

OH, I THINK THE
DAY AFTER HE
BROKE THE
MACHINE.

WELL, EXCUSE ME,
JUGHEAD... I'VE GOT
SOME CLEANING
UP TO DO!

SURE THING,
MERLE. I'LL STOP
BY WHEN THE FIZZ
FOUNTAIN FLOWS
FREE, UM... FRE-
QUENTLY!

NOW I'M
WAITING
FOR PARTS.



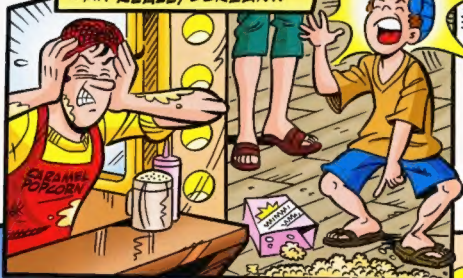
FOR TWO DAYS I WATCHED THE FUN ROLL BY, AND I LEARNED A FEW THINGS, TOO!



CARMEL POPCORN IS A STICKY BUSINESS...



UNHAPPY FIVE-YEAR-OLDS CAN REALLY SCREAM.



LISTENING TO THE SAME TINNY CARNIVAL TUNE OVER AND OVER AGAIN...

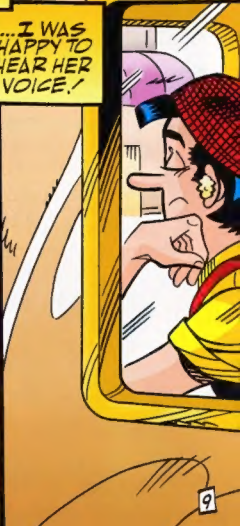
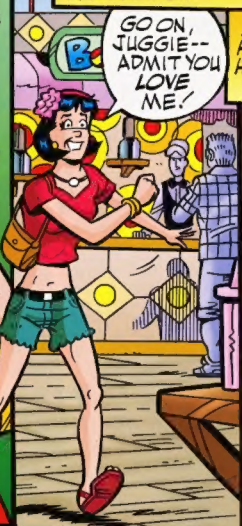
...GETS OLD REAL FAST.



BY THE TIME ETHEL DROPPED BY...

GO ON, JUGGIE-- ADMIT YOU LOVE ME!

...I WAS HAPPY TO HEAR HER VOICE!





WELL, ALMOST HAPPY!

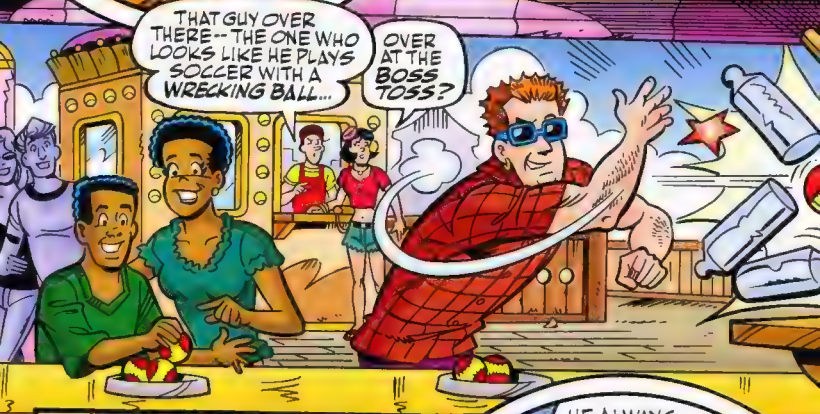
CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

I TAKE THE FIFTH!



I'VE GOTTA SAY, THERE'S SOME WEIRD STUFF GOING ON AROUND HERE.

LIKE?



THAT GUY OVER THERE-- THE ONE WHO LOOKS LIKE HE PLAYS SOCCER WITH A WRECKING BALL...

OVER AT THE BOSS TOSS?



HE PLAYS EVERY DAY, TWICE A DAY...

MAYBE HE'S JUST INTO THE GAME.



HE ALWAYS WINS, AND HE ALWAYS TAKES THE SAME PRIZE--

--ONE OF THOSE BULKY STATUES!

OKAY, SO BAD TASTE RULES IN HIS HOUSE.

CARAMEL POPCON





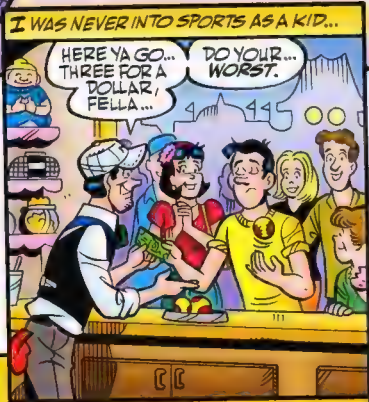
OH, JUGGIE, SWEETIE-HONEY-SUGAR...

RELAX. I'M ON A SUGAR-FREE DIET.



WIN ME ONE OF THESE FABULOSO PRIZES TO PROVE YOUR--

HIGH TOLERANCE FOR HUMILIATION?



I WAS NEVER INTO SPORTS AS A KID...

HERE YA GO... THREE FOR A DOLLAR, FELLA...

DO YOUR... WORST.



NOT UNTIL THEY CAME UP WITH A BALLTOS GAME...



...AT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL PICNIC. FIRST PRIZE?



TWO SUPER-SIZED BLUEBERRY PIES. NEED I SAY MORE?

SNAAK!

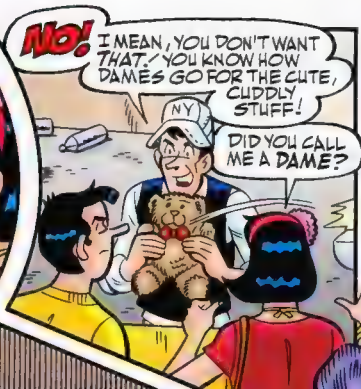
KRASH!

BONK!



WHAT?
WHO?
HOW?

I'LL TAKE THE UG--
I MEAN, THE UNIQUE
STATUE.



No! I MEAN, YOU DON'T WANT
THAT. YOU KNOW HOW
DAMES GO FOR THE CUTE,
CUDDLY
STUFF!

DID YOU CALL
ME A DAME?



DID YOU JUST **BESMIRCH**
AND **BELITTLE** THE GREAT
ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF
WOMEN THROUGH THE
AGES?

I DIDN'T...

**DEGRADE THE
SUFFRAGETTES?!**



I ONLY
MEANT--

TO **DEMEAN** WOMEN
DOCTORS, LAWYERS AND
ASTRONAUTS? DENY
YOUNG GIRLS THEIR
SHARE OF THE
FUTURE?



YOU
DON'T...
YOU
SEE...

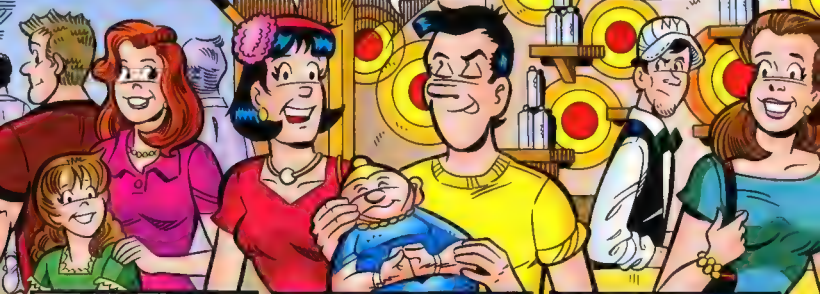
CAN SHE
TAKE HER
PRIZE
NOW?

YOU
CAN.

HOW'D YOU
BEAT--?

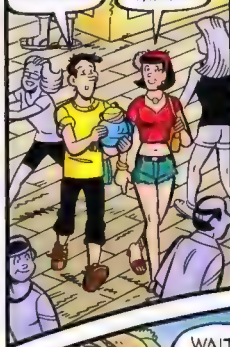
WHEN THE GAME'S
HONEST, YOU HAVE
A CHANCE.

WHEN IT'S CROOKED...
YOU GOTTA KNOW
THE TRICK.

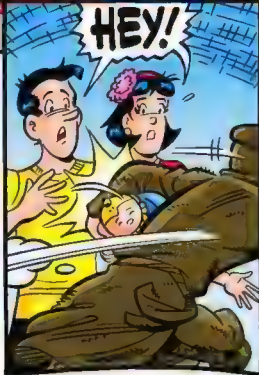


IT SURE
FEELS
HEAVIER
THAN IT
LOOKS!

MAYBE IT'S
MADE OUT
OF SOLID
GOLD LIKE
THAT--

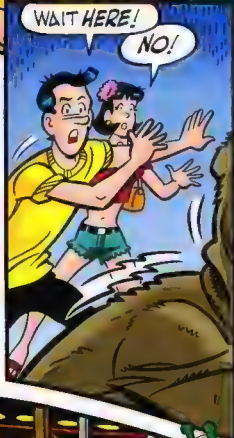


HEY!



WAIT HERE!

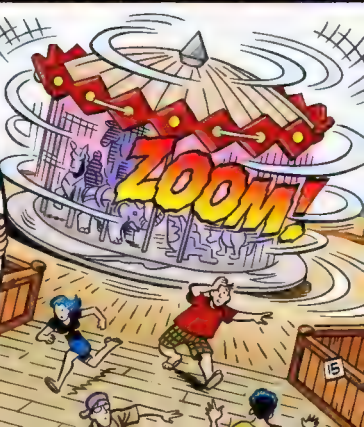
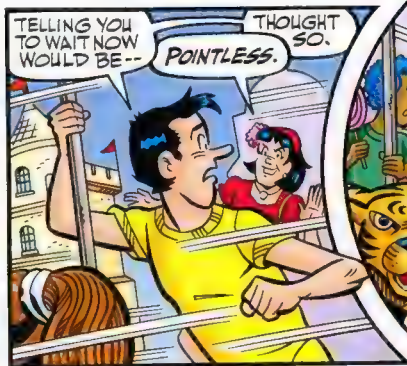
NO!



WAIT
HERE!

NO, TWICE!







BAM!

THAT'LL LEAVE A MARK.

HOLD ON, JUGGIE!

GOOD IDEA!

NORMAL
STOP
FAST



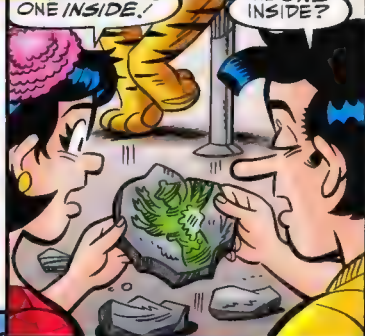
I DROPPED
MY ALL-DAY
SUCKER.!

THAT'S OKAY, KID!
THERE'S ONE BORN
EVERY MINUTE.

AND
SOON...

SOMEONE MOLDED
THE UGLY ONE
AROUND THE
ONE INSIDE.!

QUESTION IS
...WHAT WAS
THE ONE
INSIDE?



AND WHO
JUST STOLE
IT FROM US?

THAT'S TWO
QUESTIONS.

YOU DON'T
MISS
MUCH,
DO YOU?

LET'S GET BACK
TO SEE IF THAT
BOSS TOSS
BARKER WAS
OUR TRACK
STAR THIEF!

YEEESH!

I LOVE IT WHEN
YOU USE THAT
TAKE CHARGE
TONE.!



BUT WHEN WE GOT BACK, CARAMELO TOLD US THAT BOSS TOSS BENNY HADN'T MOVED FROM HIS BOOTH...

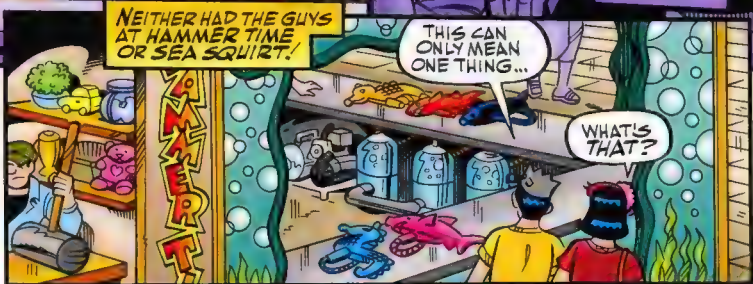
CARAMEL POPCORN



NEITHER HAD THE GUYS AT HAMMER TIME OR SEA SQUIRT!

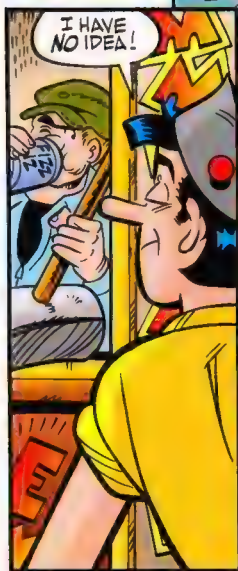
THIS CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING...

WHAT'S THAT?



I HAVE NO IDEA!

BUT I'M STARTING TO GET--

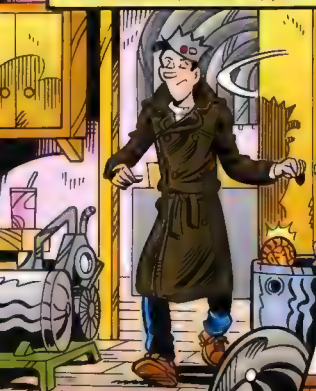


HUNGRY? YEAH... BUT IT'S A MEAL I'LL HAVE TO EAT... ALONE.

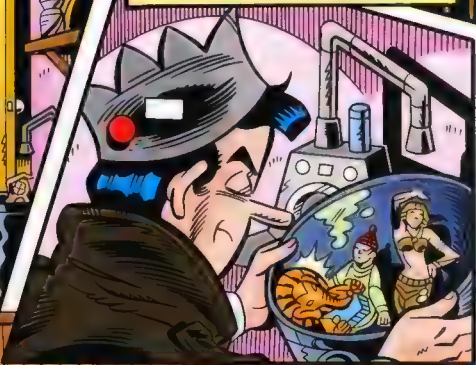




I KNEW SOMEONE HAD SABOTAGED THE FIZZ WIZ FOUNTAIN SO MERLE WOULDN'T NEED THE CARBONATION TANKS...

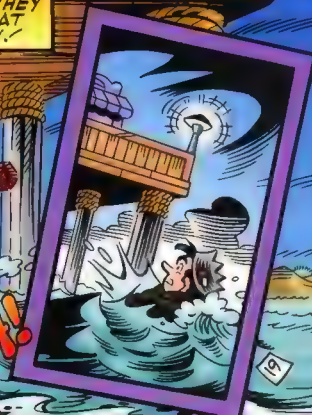
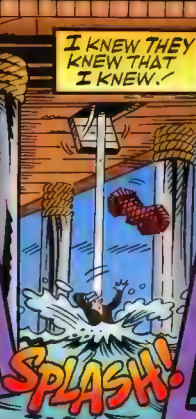


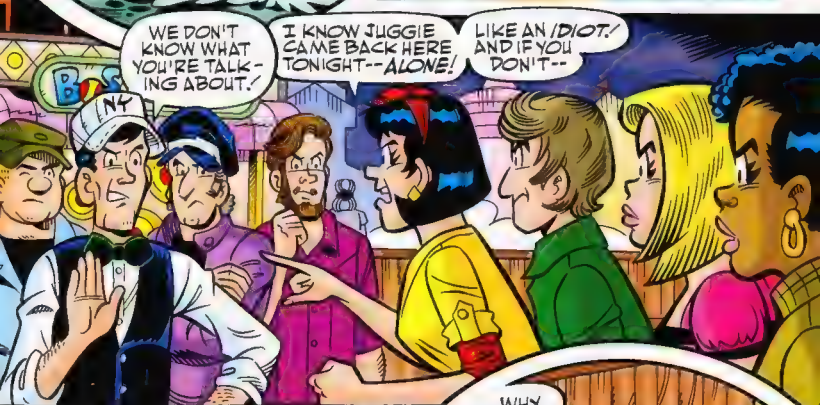
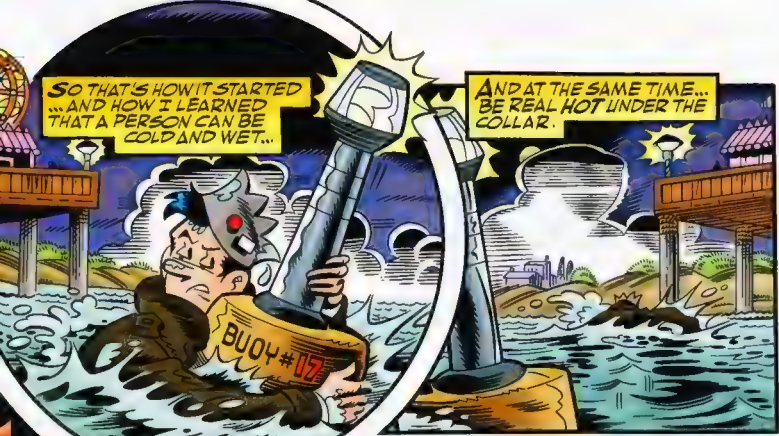
I KNEW THEY NEEDED THE TANKS FOR SOMETHING ELSE...



AND I KNEW SOMETHING ELSE...

I KNEW THEY KNEW THAT I KNEW!





STOLEN ART
PIECES FROM
INDIA!

I TOLD CHUCK, WHO DREW
A PICTURE FOR DILTON,
WHO TALKED TO RAJ'S
DAD, AND--

YOU GET THE
PICTURE. IT'S
LIKE THIS...

YOU BRING THE SMUGGLED
GOODS UP THROUGH THE
TRAP DOOR... HIDE THEM IN
THE CARBONATION TANKS
ALONGSIDE YOUR FOUNTAIN
SUPPLIES...

...WHICH IS HOW SOME OF YOUR
LEMON-LIME SYRUP GOT ON THE
BROKEN STATUE PIECE I FOUND.
I'D KNOW THAT TASTE ANYWHERE.

SEA SQUIRT MAN LUGGS
THEM TO THE BACK OF
HIS BOOTH AND HIDES
THEM IN THE BIGGER
STATUES!

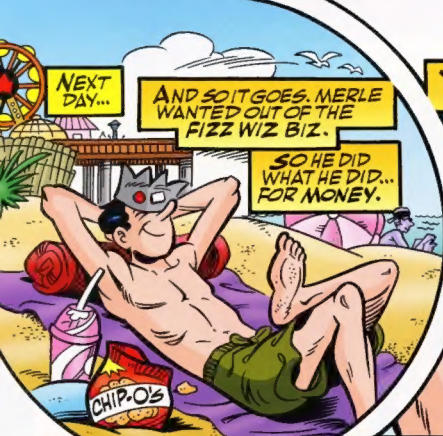
WHICH ARE TRULY
UGLY! DID YOU
FLUNK PLAYTIME
IN KINDER-
GARTEN?

AND BENNY HERE
HANDS THEM OFF
TO THE PICK-UP
GUY.

I KNOW IT ALL,
EXCEPT... WHY
DID YOU DO IT,
MERLE?

WHY ELSE,
JUGHEAD?

MONEY.



NEXT DAY...

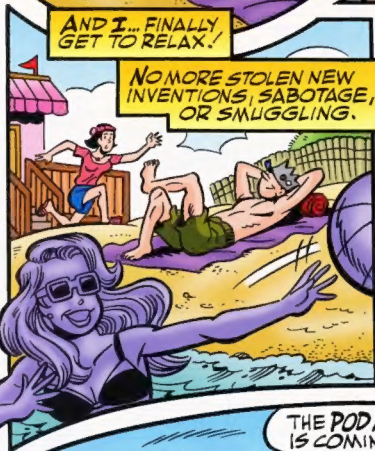
AND SO IT GOES. MERLE WANTED OUT OF THE FIZZ WIZ BIZ.

SO HE DID WHAT HE DID... FOR MONEY.

YOU MIGHT ASK WHY I DO WHAT I DO.

IT'S SO THE OLD OWNERS WILL GET THEIR STANDS BACK.

MY CLIENTS WILL GET THEIR JOBS BACK!



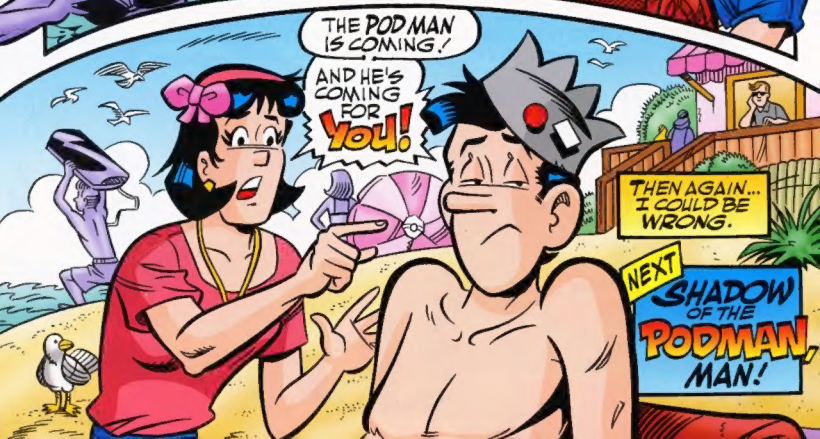
AND I... FINALLY GET TO RELAX!

NO MORE STOLEN NEW INVENTIONS, SABOTAGE, OR SMUGGLING.



JUST A TAN AND SANDY SNOOZE!

JUGGIE! YOU'VE GOT TO GET OVER TO POP'S RIGHT NOW. SOME GUY WITH A DEEP VOICE CALLED-- HE SAYS THERE'S TROUBLE!



THE POD MAN IS COMING!

AND HE'S COMING FOR YOU!

THEN AGAIN... I COULD BE WRONG.

NEXT
SHADOW OF THE
POD MAN!
MAN!

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